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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1896.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Most Europeans resident in the Far East have at one time or another been inconvenienced and annoyed by the discomfort arising from the contraction of some skin disease, often *shock* itch. It became a somewhat serious matter at last, and so, after long reflection, public wash-houses were built at Wanchai with a view to improving matters generally. The Chinese *shock* took apparently little interest in the matter, only a very small number renting the wash-houses, the majority carrying on their business "all the same before," and this being so, it is interesting to find that the dangers of infection spread through the medium of the native wash-houses is just now attracting some attention in India, and the Calcutta *Statesman* of the 17th instant has some very pertinent remarks on the subject. "Not merely the garments which we wear," says our contemporary, "but the cloths which are used in our cook-rooms and sculleries, are washed promiscuously, for the most part in stagnant water in which the same operation has been performed daily for years, and, in many cases, probably, for generations, and which is liable to be polluted in a hundred other ways, without the slightest step being taken to change or purify it, to say nothing of the notoriously insanitary conditions under which the clothes are housed, for days together, by the washermen. Apart altogether from the formidable danger which such a system must necessarily involve in the presence of serious epidemic disease of an infectious kind, it is unquestionable that this is a chronic cause of the spread of a variety of contagious ailments of a less serious, but nevertheless of a highly inconvenient, and some of them of a very obstinate, character." It is pointed out, too, that diseases such as cholera and enteric fever, not contagious in the ordinary sense, may easily be spread by means of the faulty system of washing.

In the absence of public wash-houses in Calcutta an alternative remedy is proposed in disinfection of the "wash" after it comes from the *shock*. "We could," the *Statesman* urges, "have at least public ovens in which clothes could be expeditiously and perfectly disinfected by heat for a trifling fee, and which could be erected at comparatively small cost in a few weeks. Indeed, the usefulness of such institutions is so obvious that we do not see why, if the Municipality should decline to provide them, private enterprise should not step in and supply the defect." The admirable system adopted by the New York Board of Health is described as being best fitted for the purpose. It is simply an oven with double walls, connected with a steam boiler, so that not only can it be heated by steam admitted between the walls, when dry heat only is required, but, if necessary, steam can be blown directly into the oven and wet heat thus applied to its contents. The clothes are introduced into the oven in an iron cage, running on wheels, and, if necessary, superheated steam can be used. The system is attended by no risk of damage to the clothes. Possibly Europeans resident in the Far East would be glad to avail themselves of some such preventive measures as to obviate the danger of contracting disease through the "wash." Anyway, something should be done, for our laundries are a disgrace, the *shock* is master of the situation, and the Government does not seem inclined to "induce" him to carry on his business in a proper manner.

## REUTERS MESSAGES.

## THE PLAGUE IN BOMBAY.

LONDON, November 26th.

The bubonic plague in Bombay is increasing.

## THE TRANSVAAL.

The Transvaal Volksraad has decided that no foreigner shall be admitted into the country without a passport and without being able to show that he is able to support himself.

## THE EGYPTIAN ARMY.

The Egyptian Army is to be increased by four Battalions of Infantry, two Squadrons of Cavalry and one Battery of Artillery.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Swift* arrived here this afternoon from Swatow.

The seductive pleasures of a gambling game resulted in three boys being ordered by Captain Hastings, to-day, to receive three strokes each with a rattan.

THE Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside any vessel holding the answering pennant, between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service returning about 12.30 p.m.

A MARRIED woman named Ho Ut Wah, aged 30, was charged to-day at the Magistrate's court with having a quantity of opium unlawfully in her possession. In the absence of a reasonable explanation she was fined \$200; in default three months' gaol.

The new bi-monthly, *Odd & Ends*, published by Mr. Braga, was criticised very favourably by the *North China Daily News* the other day, and now we find it stated in the *Mercury* that "*Odd & Ends* is the rather taking title of an attractive little magazine conducted by J. P. Braga and published bi-monthly at Hongkong. The illustrations are very good. We congratulate the editor, and trust his venture may prove entirely successful."

We are indebted to the courtesy of Mr. W. G. Bentley, Bandmaster of the West York, for the information that the excellent band of this regiment will play every Sunday and Wednesday—on Sundays in the Public Gardens and on Wednesdays at Murray Barracks.

THE discovery by the Calcutta Customs authorities of the importation of large quantities of imitation whisky from Germany has created a great sensation in the trade in Calcutta. About one hundred and forty cases of the spirit were seized by the Custom-house officers there.

THE *Mercury* says:—Expectation waits a-tiptoe for the first number of *Sport and Gossip* promised by the "Great Unknown"—Daybreak. Especially amongst the younger sections of the community, the hope is strong that at last Shanghai may produce something worth reading.

MR. ERICH GEORG reports re Pundjies that they sold during the past week at \$13.10 to \$13.15 for ordinary, and at \$3.90 for preference, at which rates the market closes strong. There is nothing important to report from the mine, excepting that Mr. Blamey, in a letter dated 9th instant, is sanguine of obtaining a fair crushing for the present month.

THE site acquired at Shanghai by a Japanese company on which it was proposed to erect a cotton spinning factory, is shortly to be sold, and in view of the land boom at Shanghai it is expected that a profit of 50,000 yen will be realized. Progress is being made with the company's factory at Higo and it is hoped to start business in April.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

A CELESTIAL disciple of Bill Sykes, named Chan Fook, aged 30, and of no occupation, burgled No. 14 Jubilee St. in the small hours this morning and looted \$14 worth of clothing. He managed to get into the hands of a Sikh policeman a little later on and having seen Captain Hastings this morning he will be engaged in less hazardous labour for the ensuing four months.

A MEMBER of Parliament who has seen the notorious James Ballou's "Liberator," says that the "Liberator" has adapted himself to his new surroundings. When the M.P. caught a glimpse of him he was busy stitching in the boot shop, and though he was much thinner than of yore he seemed none the worse for his enforced industry. The unaccustomed labour made his fingers sore at first, but he is now quite at home with his shoemaker's tools.

IN the course of a speech delivered at the annual prize distribution at Queen's College last February His Excellency the Governor said he would give two prizes of \$50 and \$25 respectively to the two Chinese boys, educated at Queen's College, who should write the best and second best essays on "The Progress of the British Empire in the last fifty years." Seven boys promptly entered for the competition. The judges were the Governing Body of the institution and they awarded the first prize to Li Ut and the second to Sin Cheung. We now hear that at a private interview at Government House to-day His Excellency presented the successful candidates with cheques for the above-named amounts.

THERE was a sound of revelry in the air in Duddell St. last night when Mr. Sam Marks opened his Victoria Hall Skating Rink, and probably there's a feeling of soreness about a good many gentlemen's limbs to-day. Soon after the doors were opened the Rink was well filled and its pretty appearance evoked much admiration. At first only those who felt that they could gyrate with safety and confidence donned the skates, and then less skilful ones ventured to cover themselves with glory (and bruises). The Hongkong Regiment's Band supplied excellent music. Among the skaters were some who spun along with ease, but the novices brought all alike to grief, while several erratic performers showed a strong inclination to slide under Host Farmer's bar counter. There is no doubt that skating will be a deservedly popular form of winter amusement in Hongkong. A number of ladies were present, but only one essayed a spin round and she was of the few who went through without a fall. To those who appreciate pleasant exercise combined with any amount of fun, a visit to the Victoria Hall Rink can be well recommended.

DR. EDWARD BEDLEE may be thought very little of by "Londlindlers" but that a great American daily does not consider him very "small fry" is evidenced by the fact that on the eve of the great presidential election it caused a representative to interview our old friend on the silver question in its relation to the Far Eastern trade, and so important were his utterances that the whole interview was promptly wired to Philadelphia and immediately published in the *Public Ledger*, filling a column and a half of that influential journal. In introducing the subject the *Ledger* says:—"Dr. Edward Bedlee, ex-Consul to Amoy, China, and who has had large experience in an opportunity for the study of economic conditions in China, India, Japan and Egypt, is spending several days in Washington. He is known in the State Department as one of the ablest contributors during his Consular service to the reports relating to trade and economic conditions which that Department has for years past been publishing for the benefit of commerce. Dr. Bedlee is an earnest opponent of silver monometallism. He declares that the free coinage of silver by the United States means nothing else, and he insists that the experience of the civilized world, as well as conditions existing in the Orient, offer every argument against such a change in our monetary standard."—Dr. Bedlee did his best while in the Far East to further the interests of his countrymen and many of them will therefore be glad to hear that there is reason to believe that his Government will be long in making good use of his unique experience and brilliant attainments.

THE Band of the West York Regiment will play the following programme in the Gardens to-morrow evening, from 9 to 10 o'clock:—

1. *Yankee Doodle*..... Wagner  
2. *March*..... Tannhauser  
3. *March*..... Tannhauser  
4. *March*..... Tannhauser  
5. *March*..... Tannhauser  
6. *March*..... Tannhauser  
7. *March*..... Tannhauser  
8. *March*..... Tannhauser  
9. *March*..... Tannhauser  
10. *March*..... Tannhauser

In his *Weekly Share List* issued at noon to-day Mr. Erich Georg states business during the week under review has been a little slack. Rates have not undergone much change, but the tendency has been more or less towards lower rates, with very few exceptions.

THE police are at present making a crusade against ricksha coolies who allow their vehicles to fall into a disreputable state and do not keep themselves tidy. Several offenders were dealt with at the Magistracy to-day and more prosecutions are to follow. This is a step that will be well appreciated by the public.

THE first meeting of the New Treaty Enforcement Preparation Committee was held at Tolo on the 16th instant. Speaking at the meeting, Count Kabayama, the Chairman, said that the committee should consider whether the existing Laws and Regulations of the Empire were at variance with the provisions of the treaties and the principles of the law of nations. If so, the laws should be amended in conformity with the treaties so that, as far as possible, every obstacle to the enforcement of the new treaties should be removed.

WE read in *Avenir du Tonkin* that the question of damages to be paid to M. Berthoin on account of the recent attack on his little factory at Hoihow has been settled in principle between M. Dejeux and the Chinese Government. "Settled in principle" is good, seeing that the Chinese Government is hardly in a position just now to refuse payment of French claims, however monstrous. Moreover, it is not a fact that some unfortunate local official has had to satisfy French demands in this connection and also suffer a pretty tall "squeeze" at the hands of some mighty Tatar?

AT the City Hall to-day the work of preparation for St. Andrew's Ball on Monday night was in full swing. The decorations of the ball room, vestibule, and balconies will be most elaborate, and flags and emblems of all nations are being used with good taste in every available place. The Scottish lion rampant, the thistle, St. Andrew's Cross, and sprigs of heather figure extensively in the adornments and a fine collection of shrobs and plants, together with festoons of evergreens, will help to make a charming effect. Two large oil-paintings of Sir Walter Scott and "Bobbie" Burns have been placed in position on the main staircase. Altogether the St. Andrew's Ball this year bids fair to be a great success and the various committees are sparing no pains to make the coming "gathering of the clans" something for "bither Scots" to be justly proud of.

THE Lousipolice were informed this morning of an attempt to rob a dying man, which, says the *Chino Gazette*, fully illustrates the native want of feeling where dollars are concerned. A rather opulent native in *articulo mortis* was surrounded by a crowd of sycophants to whom he was detailing his last wishes. There was a parcel of some \$5,000 worth of syces, which he intended for some relatives who were absent from Shanghai, and of whose whereabouts he was not positively sure. This excited the envy of others less favoured than his executors and beneficiaries, and while the dying man was speaking the syces were surreptitiously removed, no one knew whither at the time. This was at 3 o'clock in the morning. The police were informed, and a search was instituted, with the result that the property was recovered in the house of a man who could not give a satisfactory account of it, and he was arrested and charged accordingly.

WITHIN comparatively recent years there has arisen in our judicial system an apparent need for evidence bearing upon scientific questions requiring a knowledge not ordinarily possessed by the lay witness, and which is gradually being more and more supplied by the so-called "expert." He is paid to testify on behalf of one side or the other and not infrequently is retained to appear as cases arise in which his opinions are desired. That the most flagrant abuses in expert testimony have made themselves most prominent in criminal cases is perhaps to be attributed merely to the notoriety which these cases have attained. Whether it be the fault of our patent system or of our judicial system, the expert has become a prominent factor in all recent cases pertaining to patent litigation. It is not uncommon to find several experts on one side arrayed against perhaps as many more on the other, and if each side has been able to retain men of practically equal prominence, the side having the greater number frequently produces no little effect on influencing the judicial decision. That men devoted to the interest of science should be willing to sell their opinions indiscriminately to either contending party, often being obliged to so modify their views as to make them harmonize with the unscientific but legal opinions of the counsel by whom they are employed, has become an evil, which has justly brought forth criticism, must be acknowledged, and, unless modified or changed in some form, calls for future condemnation also. A remedy that has been suggested is to the effect that a Judge may call to his assistance any well-known professor of science not retained by the parties in dispute. The State should provide and the Judge should appeal to the State for such assistance, so that he might be aided in rendering a decision based upon scientific facts.

## MEMORANDA.

TODAY.—28th November.  
8.30 to 11.45 p.m.—Elite Skating Rink, at Victoria Hall, Duddell Street.  
9 p.m.—Vanderlip's Entertainers, at Theatre Royal.

TO-MORROW.—29th November.  
American mail due.  
9 to 10 p.m.—The Band of the West York Regiment will play at the Gardens.

BAN TRAUICH, formerly Judge of Fukushu Chihō Sabansho, was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for one year, and to pay a correctional fine of 21 yen in April last for bribery. He appealed from the sentence to the Nagasaki Court of Appeal, but, says the *Yokohama Herald*, the sentence was confirmed on the 7th instant.

A REUTER'S telegram from Pretoria says that Mr. Barney Barnato has presented President Kruger with two magnificent life-sized marble lions, which have been erected in front of the Presidency. They are a birthday gift from Mr. Barnato, and also a souvenir of the Reform troubles. Lions! An unfortunate selection, indeed, if no joke be intended! But any one who knows Mr. Barnato can well believe him capable of any jest. Is it at Oom Paul or at Great Britain that Barney is poking fun?

## HONGKONG DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LTD.

A statutory meeting of the Hongkong Dairy Farm Company Ltd., was held at the depot, Pedder's Hill, at noon to-day. Dr. Noble presided and there were also present Messrs. G. Sharp, Jas. Walker, G. C. Cox, and W. H. Potts (Secretary), Captain Tiltell, and Messrs. Lee Kun and Wong Ping Yui.

The Chairman said he had pleasure in informing the meeting that up to the present about 90 per cent. of the shares had been applied for. All the Company's produce is being disposed of and is meeting with a ready sale. Additional cows had been ordered and they are expected to arrive soon, when a large supply will be given than now. Taking all things into consideration, he felt he could congratulate the new company on the progress it had made.

The meeting then adjourned sine die.

## SPORTING NOTES.

## FOOTBALL TIPS.

"Town Idiot" has been badly bitten with the football mania, and has kindly favoured us with the following hints on football, which he has compiled, he says, after careful study of the game as played at Happy Valley:—

1. In picking a team never trouble to ask outsiders about a man's play, as he can probably tell you all about it himself and will be sure to name his good points, which the outsiders might pass over.

2. Always allow all the members to choose their own colours, as they know what suits them best, and the appearance of the field is much enhanced by a good variety of shades, which also pleases the ladies.

3. The little man who runs about the field all the time is called the referee, and the spectators always think you are a fine player if you contradict him; that's what he's there for.

4. If you play centre forward, you must run about and knock everyone down. Never mind the ball; there are plenty of others to look after that. The outsiders like to see some life put into the game.

5. Whenever you see a man kick the ball about "hands." This is always considered as the mark of a first-rate and real live player.

6. Always keep an excuse ready to show why you mean this, and they will think you know a lot about it, especially if you learn a few football terms and use them now and again.

7. If you see a man running, tread on his heels, trip him and then apologise; he can't say anything and it amuses the others. This rule is applicable only to men who are smaller than yourself.

8. When your opponents kick a goal, shout "fool." This makes them mad and bothers the referee, while everyone thinks you know the game to T.

9. Always try to get behind the other side's backs, as it is easier to kick a goal from there when the ball comes up. Some folks call this "off side," but it is fine play, as you will learn when you have studied the game as I have.

10. Never pass the ball to one of your own side as it makes fellows lazy; let them get the ball for themselves if they want it, and take your own turn as often as you can get it.

11. Always declare that the other side play a rough and unfair game and don't understand anything about football. Tell everyone you mean this, and they will think you know a lot about it, especially if you learn a few football terms and use them now and again.

12. If you can't do anything else, sprawl about the ground; bull-rush small men, and go to the Club and talk football till the other Johnnies tell you to shut up.

## FIXTURES.

On Monday afternoon at Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play an Inter-Club match. All members are invited to attend. Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

## CRICKET.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB v. GARRISON. A match was played to-day on the Club Ground between eleven representing the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Garrison. Although the weather was not favourable there was a fair attendance of spectators. The game was declared won by the local team on the first innings by 9 runs.

The scores were as follow:—  
HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

J. M. Alderson (Capt.) not out	10
W. H. Mowbray, c. Hayward, b. Davidson	12
G. Grimble, c. Alderson, b. Davidson	10
R. F. Lammont, c. Gordon, b. Ryall	10
P. H. Kim, b. Ryall	10
L. R. Crawford, b. Davidson	10
G. M. T. Thompson, b. Davidson	10
R. F. Lammont, c. Hayward, b. Davidson	10
A. Macdonald, c. Ryall, b. Davidson	10
H. Hooper, b. Davidson	10
H. O. Brown, c. Ryall, b. Davidson	10
Kallis	10
Total	110

GARRISON.  
Capt. Langhorne, c. b. Macdonald 6 || David Thompson, c. b. Kim | 6 |
N. Brown, c. b. Alderson, c. Crawford	6
P. O. Davidson, c. Crawford, b. Crawford	6
G. O. Anderson, c. b. Crawford	6
W. M. Thompson, c. b. Kim	6
Capt. Langhorne, c. b. Kim	6
R. Lammont, c. b. Kim	6
H. Hooper, c. b. Kim	6
L. R. Crawford, c. b. Kim	6
W. H. Mowbray, c. b. Kim	6
Total	60

The H.K.C.C. played a second innings to fill in time, making 202 for nine wickets.

OTHER MATCHES.—The match—Rovers v. R.E.—resulted in a victory for the military, who made 67 against the Rovers' 49 and 36 in the second innings. As the R.E. thought they could beat the Rovers in one innings, the result was a victory for the latter.

The match—Colts v. R.E.—was won by the military XI, who closed their innings at the fifth wicket for 100 and gave the Colts two innings in which they put together 49 runs. They'll try to do better next time!



## THE KOWLOON RANGES.

We should like to know what the authorities intend to do with regard to the danger to which the public is exposed by the Kowloon Ranges? Where is the report made upon them, and how is it that the conditions arrived at therefrom have not been published?

It is a fact that the hill at the west side of the Police Range is being rapidly cut away, and the danger of ricochets reaching the road is thereby much increased. The Police, it is true, are still armed with the Martini rifle, which does not carry so far as the Lee-Enfield, but the range of the latter is so great, and the danger of ricochets is so great, as in the case of the Lee-Enfield, it is a well-known fact, too, that the wind made by the old pattern bullet is of a more serious nature than that made by the new, on account of its larger size and the low velocity.

It may be argued that no one has been killed yet by the new rifle at the back of the hill, but the fact of bullets being found there conclusively proves that there is a chance of such a thing happening. If proper steps are not taken to prevent the possibility of accident, the authorities will be placed in a most unpleasant position when some person loses his life through their path with regard to the matter.

The ranges for safety's sake might be permanently removed to Stonecutters' Island, where naval officers and men frequently go for target practice. The men have to be brought to Kowloon for practice, with the exception of the Hongkong Regiment, and it would cost little more to take them to Stonecutters', where there would be no danger of people being shot on a public highway. Moreover, the ground now occupied by the ranges could be utilized for gardens or building sites, the proceeds of which would pay for the little extra expense occasioned by laying out new ranges at Stonecutters'.

## THE MANNING OF THE FLEET.

LORD CHARLES BERSFORD SUPPRESSES INTERESTING INFORMATION.

LONDON, October 24th. Sir Charles Dilke made an interesting speech on Thursday night in London respecting the steady diminution in the number of British seamen and the growing number of foreign seamen and officers employed on British ships, and he pointed out the dangers sure to arise therefrom in time of war. The matter is one directly affecting England's navy, the manning of which is increasingly difficult and the cause of constant anxiety to the Government.

The first-class cruiser *Diadem*, which was launched on the Clyde this week, had been completed in 214 days, which establishes a record of which British shipbuilders have every reason to be proud. But there is not much use in building warships at this tremendous speed if men are not forthcoming. Here, however, of course, merchant seamen have been a serious difficulty, but none the less, it is a record, and it is just the nerves of Englandmen to be told that this reserve is now altogether inadequate. There is good reason to believe that the British Admiralty at this moment is much perturbed over the subject, and it is said that Minister Goschen went the length this week of begging Captain Lord Charles Bessford, in a speech that the famous expert was announced to deliver at Birmingham, not to refer to the question of the undermanning of British warships.

Whether Mr. Goschen acted as reported cannot be affirmed with certainty, but it is a fact that Lord Charles Bessford intended dealing in his speech with the manning of the navy, and in order that his speech should be published correctly he supplied to some newspapers in advance the figures upon which he intended to rely in support of his contentions, and that at the last moment he wired to those newspapers that he had decided to say nothing about the Navy. Evidently the Government believe the European situation is so serious that it is not desirable for any Englishman to point out England's weakness.

There is no appearance of weakness in England's dockyards and arsenals at this moment. Thousands of workmen are working day and night to complete warships and fill up the magazines and storehouses, and there recently arrived at Liverpool a full complement for about a dozen armed cruisers, including the *Companien*, *Lutetia*, *Talbot*, and *Majestic*. But trained seamen cannot be had for the asking, nor made to order like shot and shell. At this moment the British Navy is more than 20,000 men short of the 25,000 active and long-service ratings necessary for the fleet.

As to the Naval Reserve, Lord Charles Bessford says it is not only useless and ineffective, as at present constituted, but is 1,200 short now of the numbers officially admitted two years ago, as necessary, although since then sixty-one warships have been built, or are building, or are projected. Experts differ as to the best means of remedying this state of things. Lord Charles Bessford believes the quickest means is the time has arrived for the Government to spend money on making the naval reserve attractive to British mercantile seamen, and for devising legislative means to prevent British seamen being replaced in British ships by foreigners. There is little doubt that the naval budget next spring will contain proposals for meeting the emergency.—*New York Herald*.

## CHINESE ABROAD.

TROUBLE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

According to San Francisco files received by the last American mail, the Society known as the Yee Yee has been making things particularly lively in the Chinese quarter at San Francisco. The trouble is believed to have occurred over the late elections in the Kong Chow Association. The Yee Yee is composed of two "highlander" organizations, six of whom are neutral, while the two Bo Ong Tong and the Bo Leong Tong are at war. The Bo Ong Tong and the Bo Leong Tong are the Hip Sing Tong for allies and the other side has the On Yick Tong and the Hop Sing Tong. For a long time past there has been bad blood between the two factions and murders have been committed by both sides.

Under the ordinary rule of the "highlanders" of the Kong Chow Association, to which these two factions belong, there would be declared an indefinite armistice. Not so in this case, however, because each blames the other as the instigator of the smashing-up regime which the Chinese Consul is believed to have inaugurated. The Consul on the 18th ult. was warned by his friends that an attempt would be made to assassinate him and a constable was in consequence placed on guard at his quarters. Four of the Yee Yee presidents were also in danger, though having been provided with a treaty of peace by order of the Chinese Minister at Washington. They had to hide themselves, and one night their rooms were entered and the furniture thrown out and broken, while one of the presidents was caught and beaten into insensibility.

The Consul is said to be the friend of the Sam Yee people as against the Yee Yee, who are more numerous, although less wealthy. The latter have recently undertaken to do what the United States Government has never been able to accomplish—that is, to get the Chinese out of the Pacific Slope.

Their purpose is to show that they—the Yee Yee—are not the Sam Yee, and that they are entitled to have another and friendly Consul or else kill the one who is not friendly!

The Yee Yee have had an injunction issued by the District Court to prevent the Consul and Vice-Consul entering the corporation's meeting rooms, and the Consul (Fung Yung Heng) has had twenty John Doe warrants sworn out on the Police Court and placed in the hands of his special officers. Whenever a "highlander" makes a disturbance or offers an excuse for one of these warrants to be served on him, he will be booked for vagrancy. By this method it is believed the "highlanders" being deprived of their leaders, will grow discouraged and cease their work of murder and blackmail.

The Yee Yee held some pretty lively sessions, and there has been much "talker talker" over an excuse to have both the Consul-General and Vice-Consul-General arrested and prosecuted. They want the Ning Yung, the Kung Chow, the Hop Wo and the Sue Hing companies to put up bonds for \$4,000 or \$5,000 each as a guarantee of a fund to fight the Consul. The treasury of the Yee Yee Company at present is in a depleted condition. Three of the companies agreed to this proposition.

On the day for the companies to pay to the treasurer of the Six Companies the \$5 fee imposed on those Chinese who are thinking of taking a trip to the Flower Kingdom, the Kung Chow made no objection, but the other three companies flatly refused to put up their fee. They say they are tired of paying money into the coffers of the Six Companies, and are going to try to break them up.

Through all this turmoil the yellow emblem of the Six Companies Association still floats triumphantly over their headquarters at 820, Clay Street, and the "highlanders" swear by that yellow flag that they will kill the first person who enters for purposes of destruction. The Consul-General, when the mail left, was waiting for a reply to his letter to Minister Yang Yu at Washington, reporting what had been done and the difficulties encountered.

## PUBLIC GAMBLING.

SHANGHAI, November 16th.

An "Old Member" of the Race Club, who is also an old racing man, writes to us stating that he "was much impressed at the last Race Meeting by the evident desire in our present system of conducting public gambling. In the first place," he says, "let us get rid of those abolitionists, the Totalitarians, which degrade true sport in connection with money matters, and cause an unseemly scrambling rabble, both before and after each race, which is far more than a painful eyesore to every gentlemanly member of the Race Club. Yes, let us get rid of these 'Internal mischief-makers' to Belle Vue and cleanse our Race Compound proper of these very objectionable objects which necessarily equally objectionable companions and surroundings. These who wish to patronize them could go over to Belle Vue to do so, and collect their money there too."

Our correspondent goes on to suggest that there should be two Parliament in the present room under the Grand Stand, one for winners and one for placed ponies, and that the money should be paid there too. He makes some other suggestions as to the mode of working the Parliament, which would obviate the mistakes which occurred, as is generally known, at the last meeting, and he then says:—

"Another suggestion I wish to make, and that is to increase the space of stand allotted to owners and riders, and to make a paddock, which would only be open to members, or visitors to the sport introduced by members, but no resident non-members, except on payment of a fee of \$5 or \$10 for the meeting. All admissions to this paddock to be by ticket, and to be produced at any time. There is nothing extraordinary about this; it is done on many racetracks in Europe and the Colonies; and it is found to be a very great convenience to members of a Club to have some place where they can congregate, talk, and bet, free from the intrusion of the public, who are only there purely for gambling purposes, and who never owned a race pony in their lives. I throw the above suggestions out to a *bona fide* spirit to benefit the members of the Race Club, and without the slightest wish or intention to cavil at the present arrangements of the Stewards, of whom I have always been and always shall be a staunch supporter, knowing the difficulties they have to contend with, and fully appreciating the trouble they take, and the conscientious way in which they carry out their onerous duties. If the feeling of the Club is in favour of the above reforms, I shall bring them forward at the next annual meeting."

We believe a large proportion of the members of the Club are in favour of these reforms; but we would go further than our correspondent and do away altogether with the Parliament and the Totalitarians, certainly with the latter, which are the most debased and miserable form of gambling extant. No one who was at the last meeting, where everything else combined to make it a record meeting, can have escaped feeling that the sport was ruined by the presence of the official gambling room under the Grand Stand. The races used to be a three days' holiday; they are now three days of sordid business, which for a large number of those present would be just as attractive if the results of their investments in the Parliament and the Totalitarians depended on the fortunes of mere mechanical horses. It is the gambling that attracts now, not the ponies or the riding of the meeting and chatting with friends. 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Hongkong, 22nd September 1896. [185]

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Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1833]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
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THE Steamship

"BENVORLICH."  
Captain Clark, will be despatched as above  
on or about the 1st December.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th November, 1896. [1784]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.  
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND  
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THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN."  
Captain Nelson, will be despatched on  
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Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th November, 1896. [1812]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES."  
Captain Brown, will be despatched as above on  
SATURDAY, the 5th December.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th November, 1896. [1794]

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the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th Dec.,  
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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1825]

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Captain C. Andersen, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 18th December,  
at 5 P.M.  
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1826]

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JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.  
MONTHLY SERVICE.  
FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT  
SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON  
AND ANTWERP.  
THE Company's Steamship

"YAMAGUCHI MARU."  
Captain Allen, will be despatched as above on  
SATURDAY, the 19th December, at Noon,  
instead of as previously advertised, and will be  
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"KAGOSHIMA MARU."  
Captain Trenni, to sail hence on 22nd January,  
1897.  
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 26th November, 1896. [1739]

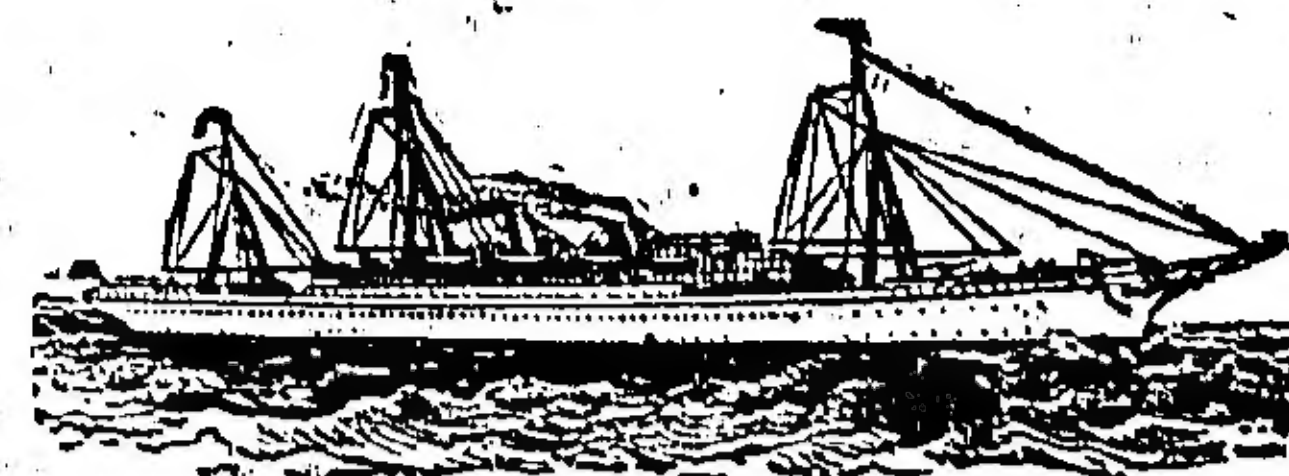
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THE 3/3 A. I. L. 3/3rd American Ship  
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CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Hongkong, 19th October, 1896. [1611]

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"CLAN MACFARLANE."  
Templeton, Master, will load here for the above  
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
Hongkong, 9th October, 1896. [1575]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896.

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Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Tuesday, 25th Dec., at Noon.  
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Saturday, 16th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

THE Company's Steamship

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via  
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND  
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on  
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Hongkong, 24th November 1896 [18]

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the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific  
Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.Passengers must be sent to our Office (with address  
marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to  
sailing.For further information as to Passage or  
Freight, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
General Agents,  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1896. [4]

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,  
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,  
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG,  
PORTS IN THE LEVANT.

BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

ALSO  
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,  
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,  
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN  
PORTS.THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT  
SOUTHAMPTON  
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH  
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL  
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen ..... Wednesday | 9th Dec.

Bayern ..... Tuesday ... | 5th Jan.

Friedrich Heinrich ... Tuesday ... | 2nd Feb.

Preussen ..... Tuesday ... | and March.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 5th day of Dec.,  
1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship  
"SACHSEN," Capt. H. Supper, with MAILED  
PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will  
leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and  
GENOA.Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on  
MONDAY, the 7th Dec. Cargo and Specie  
will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY  
the 8th Dec., and Parcels will be received at  
the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the  
8th Dec. Contents of Packages are required.  
No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than  
\$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet  
Cubic in Measurement.The Steamer has splendid Accommodation  
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.  
Lines can be washed on board.For further Particulars, apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st November, 1896. [1743]THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.STEAM FOR  
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,  
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN  
PORTS, FLYMOUTH AND LONDON.Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,  
PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and  
AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"RAVENNA,"

Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails,  
will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, &c.,  
on THURSDAY, the 3rd December, at Noon,  
taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.  
This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S.  
"Corinthia," leaving that Port on the 26th Dec.,  
for London direct.Bills and Valuable, all Cargo for France,  
and Two for London (under arrangement) will be  
transhipped at Colombo into a steamer  
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;  
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed  
via Bombay.Parcels will be received at this Office until 4  
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and  
Value of all Packages are required.Shippers are particularly requested to note  
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills  
of Lading.For further Particulars apply to  
E. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.  
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